

Manenguba language

Manenguba, also known as **Ngoe** or the **Mbo cluster**, is a Bantu language spoken in Cameroon. It is a language spoken by several related peoples.

The name *Manenguba* is the mountain range the speakers live on. *Ngoe* is their legendary ancestor and the last King of the Manenguba people before the creation of Cameroon is King Ekandjoum Joseph.

Languages

King Ekandjoum Joseph wrote books (https://www.worldcat.org/title/petite-grammaire-de-la-langue-mboo/oclc/12804342&referer=brief_results) [1] (<https://www.sil.org/system/files/rapdata/56/91/06/56910662981794153569036197293913918401/GrammaireMmbooBaneka.pdf>) about his people called Mungo people or Sawa, and his kingdom called Moungo.

The dialects in the cluster are:^{[3][4]}

- **Koose** (Akoose, Bakossi)

The principal languages
Mbo (Mbo/Mbô'o, Sambo)
Kaka (Bakaka, Bakaa)
Sosi (Bassossi)
There are many loan words from English, French and Douala.^[5] When speaking of technical subjects, speakers will often revert to Pidgin English or English.^[6]

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Manenguba	
	Ngoe
	Mbo
Native to	Cameroon
Ethnicity	Bakossi, Mbo, Bakaka, Bassossi
Native speakers	(180,000 cited 1995–2004) ^[1]
Language family	Niger–Congo - Atlantic–Congo - Benue–Congo - Bantoid - Bantu (Zone A.15) Manenguba
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Variously: mbo – Mbo bss – Akoose bqz – Kaka (Central Mbo) bsi – Sosi
Glottolog	mane1268 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/mane1268) ^[2]
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External links

- [Akoose basic lexicon at the Global Lexicostatistical Database](http://starling.rinet.ru/cgi-bin/response.cgi?root=new100&morpho=0&basename=new100\bco\bna&limit=-1) (<http://starling.rinet.ru/cgi-bin/response.cgi?root=new100&morpho=0&basename=new100\bco\bna&limit=-1>)

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